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Western dance tomorrow at ISU

by L. P. Smith

Are you tired of the same old party scene? Something different is happening this Saturday. A Western theme "round-up" complete with a live bluegrass band and square dancing is being presented by a combined effort of the Rose-Hulman, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, and ISU Student Activities Boards.

The event is taking place Saturday, November 10, from 8

p.m. to midnight in the Tirey Memorial Union Building Heritage Ballroom and Lounge at ISU. Admission is one dollar per cowboy or cowgirl at the door.

Western food and drinks will be served in a saloon type atmosphere where, rumor has it, an altercation between members of the Rose Drama Club will take place in the true spirit of a barroom brawl. Dress Western!

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Students hard on A/R/A

by John Sparks

While it is only normal for college students to complain about their food service, and while most of these complaints should be taken with the proverbial grain of salt, student opinion indicates that serious problems may exist at Rose with A/R/A.

A/R/A came to Rose-Hulman last summer with promises of increased menu selection and a computer system designed to eliminate run-outs and excesses.

But somehow things went wrong.

Complaints ranged from bland, tasteless food to twenty minute waits at dinner time on a day when those minutes desperately are needed for studies.

Breakfast draws praise

Breakfast fared the best. Complaints were few, and many were along the line of preferring link sausage to patty sausage.

One student pointed out that breakfast lines move much faster than dinner lines even though only one line is open at breakfast.

A freshman went as far as to say that breakfast should be offered late in the afternoon so everybody could eat it.

The glazed donuts received high marks, as did the cinnamon rolls. The major complaints at breakfast were no orange juice in the dispensers, and short serving times.

Students with second hour classes who would like to eat hot breakfast complained that the 8:15 cut-off time was too early.

"Getting to breakfast by 8:15 a.m. means that I have to get up by 7:45 a.m. and am back in my room by 8:30 just to sit around and look at the walls for twenty minutes," complained one student.

Lengthening the serving time by a half an hour or even fifteen minutes was suggested as a solution.

Lunch menu questioned

Lunch also received complimentary comments. The



Rose students line up at a Friday steak night dinner. Long, slow moving, lines in the evening have plagued A/R/A since the company took over food services, and have been a constant source of student complaint.

food was generally good, and service fast.

However, complaints did surface. A freshman complained that lunch always looked the same, and others pointed out that the six entree items were often derivatives of each other.

For example, a typical lunch menu may include tuna or turkey salad, and a hot turkey or tuna entree. Beef items are notably scarce.

Many people mentioned that the cookies served at lunch are exceptionally good. A/R/A's choice of cold lunchmeat, though, was another source of student dislike.

Most of the complaints were that the lunchmeats are uncommon varieties. Even the ham is sometimes made out of turkey.

Dinner disaster

Any gains made by A/R/A at breakfast and lunch were completely wiped out by total failure at dinner. Nothing goes right at dinner. Lines are intolerably slow, and food is often sub-par.

"What is written on the menu board is never offered at dinner," noted one senior. Run-outs, supposedly eliminated

under A/R/A's system, are frequent at Rose.

Saturday's brunch travesty was noted as a good example. The menu board said roast beef. However, roast beef was brought out all too infrequently and lasted for only a short time.

In the meanwhile, disgruntled students faced with the prospect of a twenty minute wait or spaghetti, took spaghetti.

So now A/R/A thinks Rose likes spaghetti, when in reality the vast majority of the people who ate spaghetti would have taken roast beef if it were available.

Portions small

Serving sizes are another sore spot. Complaints about the amount of french fries given out at dinner were numerous.

"It's no wonder the seconds factor at Rose is over one hundred percent with the amount of food A/R/A gives you," said one junior.

Dull, tasteless food was also a problem. A freshman noted that A/R/A doesn't seem to use any spices, while another student commented that A/R/A seems to have only one good meal a week.

HSLs adds Gilliard

by Rob Sartain

Rose is a very interesting place to teach, according to Dr. Bari Lynn Gilliard, a new professor in Humanities. Although she feels that Rose is somewhat insulated from the outside world, Dr. Gilliard is highly impressed with the quality of students and the accessibility of the professors.

Dr. Gilliard, who is originally from Montana, spent seven years in Idaho before coming to Rose last year. During the past year, she wrote grant proposals in the Development Office.

Dr. Gilliard's pet job now is a Project to Improve Communication Skills between Engineers and Scientists. This project is designed to integrate writing and speaking skills into the engineering curriculum. Thanks to a grant from the Sloane Foundation, she develops laboratory modules to accomplish this end.

Dr. Gilliard is very much interested in her chosen profession, as she attends conferences and meetings often. Although she has taught in the junior high school through graduate student levels, Dr. Gilliard likes working with undergraduates best, partly because they seem to be the most motivated.

She also leads a busy home life with her husband, who is an assistant vice-president at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, and seven-year old daughter, Wendy. Dr. Gilliard enjoys reading, travelling, and being a Brownie scout leader.

Dr. Gilliard is fascinated by Midwest students, but thinks most students everywhere are industrious, hard-working people. She is greatly pleased with the faculty at Rose, as it seems genuinely concerned with the students' well-being, and looks forward to the current academic year.

Harder times for Admissions

by Bill Chappell

"Admissions applications are running slightly behind last year's pace," admitted Duncan Murdoch, Dean of Admissions. "But we were expecting it. In fact, we planned on it."

The reason for this is that the deadline for applications has been extended from November 1st last year to December 1st this year. This was possible because the financial aid procedure has been improved, making it faster and more streamlined than it used to be.

Right now, Murdoch estimates that Rose has received about two hundred fewer applications than it did at this time last year. He predicted that applications would reach last year's level in a couple of weeks and projected a final figure of 1800 applications for admission, which would be an all-time high for Rose. "Of course, we really won't know where we are at until the deadline."

Although the Admissions Office anticipates a record number of applications, Murdoch claims that Rose has been finding it increasingly tougher to recruit. Speaking of his own experience recruiting around Indianapolis, Murdoch claimed that "the area has

become saturated with college recruiters. And our recruiters in other areas have reported the same thing."

Rose has also been getting more competition from local colleges, who in recent years have worked hard at developing fine engineering curriculums of their own.

In an effort to combat this, the Rose Admissions Office this year developed the "Ski Terre Haute" poster. Referring to the poster, Murdoch claimed, "The promotional material has been well received. We sent it to all 6500 men on our mailing list."

He feels that the poster will most influence those who are undecided about applying to Rose. "Let's face it, if a student is not interested in Rose, nothing we send him is going to make any difference. We feel that the poster will attract those who were undecided about Rose, those who were sitting on the fence."

In addition, Rose recently held an Open House for interested high school seniors. Between October 25th and October 26th, over 130 seniors visited the Rose-Hulman campus, which Murdoch said was a record for a two-day open house at Rose. Murdoch took time to express his

appreciation to the twenty Rose students who served as guides and helped run the open house.

The final figures will not be in for awhile. However, it appears that in a time when many colleges are experiencing difficulty meeting admissions requirements, Rose will again assemble a class of high quality students.

by Peter Kehor

Despite the long drive and adverse weather conditions, eight members of the Rose Orienteering Club competed in the U.S. Championships last weekend. The class "A" meet was held in Palisades State Park, about 30 miles from New York City. The meet was sponsored by the Ramapo Orienteering Club of New York.

Ten years ago, the first U.S. Championships were held in Illinois. Only about 60 people participated in that event, and most of those were from Canada.

Last weekend, a total of nearly 600 competitors participated in the meet. Orienteers from all over the country, plus some from Canada, as well as some from Australia competed in the two

day event.

Against tough competition and rocky terrain, the club fared well. The Rose OC continued to show its strength in the men's 19-20 B class on the Orange course. The four members of the club who competed in that category finished 4-5-6-7.

Sophomore Scott Hickerson placed fourth after the two days with a total time of 121.48 minutes. He also had the fastest time on the Orange course the second day; 49.17 minutes.

Scott Linn, a sophomore, finished fifth with a total time of 134.26 minutes narrowly edging junior Peter Kehoe whose time was 134.73 minutes. Galen Kannarr, another junior, was seventh with a time of 150.67 minutes.

The club's advisor, Sergeant

Brick Burks, also competed on the Orange course. He competed in the 21 and over C category. He finished sixth with a time of 137.07 minutes.

On the Red course, in the 21 and over category, senior Tim Guetersloh finished with a total time of 144.86 minutes. The finish put him in the top 15.

Also competing were junior Paul Falhsing and freshman Mike Hopper. Paul competed in the tough 19-20 elite category on the Red course. Mike was on the Orange course in the 15-18 elite category.

The next major meet for the club is the U.S. Intercollegiate Championships. The Rose OC will host the meet which will be held on March 29-30. The club will be working hard most of the winter preparing for the meet.

Freshmen needed as volunteers

One hundred freshmen are needed to volunteer for doctoral dissertation research on mental abilities of the gifted. Approximately two hours of time is required, and fifty dollars will be awarded to one of the participants.

Testing will be conducted at Rose-Hulman. Interested

freshmen should supply requested information on postcards available at the Hulman Union Building Office by November 30.

The testing will be done by Charles Justice, a doctoral candidate of the School of Psychology at Indiana State University.

Orienteers attend US Championship



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Runners capture conference crown

by Pat Moore and Danny Hodges

Rose's Cross Country Team won the College Athletic Conference championship Saturday. Rose scored 26 points, close behind was Principia with 31 points. Sewanee was third with 73 followed by Centre with 104 and Southwestern at Memphis with 129.

Pete Edwards, a junior at Principia, was first for the 8,000 meters, setting a course record of 25 minutes, 24 seconds.

Principia's Mark Whalley finished second at 25:29, but the next five out of six places were posted by Rose students.

Mike O'Brien was third in 26:05, followed by E. J. Rosenberg's time of 26:17. John Smith was fourth and Dean Billheimer was fifth with times of 26:33 and 26:35, respectively. Principia's Tim Ball placed seventh with 26:38 and John

Whitaker finished eight in 26:43 for Rose.

Order of finish — Pete Edwards, Principia 25:24; Mark Whalley, Principia 25:29; Mike O'Brien, Rose-Hulman 26:05; E. J. Rosenberg, Rose-Hulman 26:17; John Smith, Rose-Hulman 26:33; Dean Billheimer, Rose-Hulman 26:35; Tom Ball, Principia 26:38.

Also, John Whitaker, Rose-Hulman 26:43; Mike Ball, Sewanee 26:57; Jamie Bollinger, Principia 27:26; Peter Katz, Principia 27:28; Matt Ligon, Sewanee 27:28; Ken Hilk, Rose-Hulman 27:30; Alan Marquardt, Principia 27:31; Wayne Maher, Centre 27:45; Steve Schnell, Rose-Hulman 27:50.

For Coach Jim Hargis, the CAC win capped off a fine year as his team was 7-2 in dual meet competition.



The CAC champion Rose-Hulman Cross Country Team is shown receiving the first place award from Dr. Samuel Hulbert after last week's conference victory. (Steve Shuman photo)

ROTC shooters top NIV; prepare for big matches

by Gary Meier

The Rose ROTC Rifle Team evened its season record to 2-2 with a 1176 to 1085 victory over Northern Illinois in an away match last Saturday.

Sophomore Dave Kolacz was high scorer for the match, with a 253 out of a possible 300. Freshman Kevin Hansen was close behind with a 247, while Freshman Bob Blankenship, 229; Tom Reed, 225, and Tom Robertson, 222, rounded out the five man team.

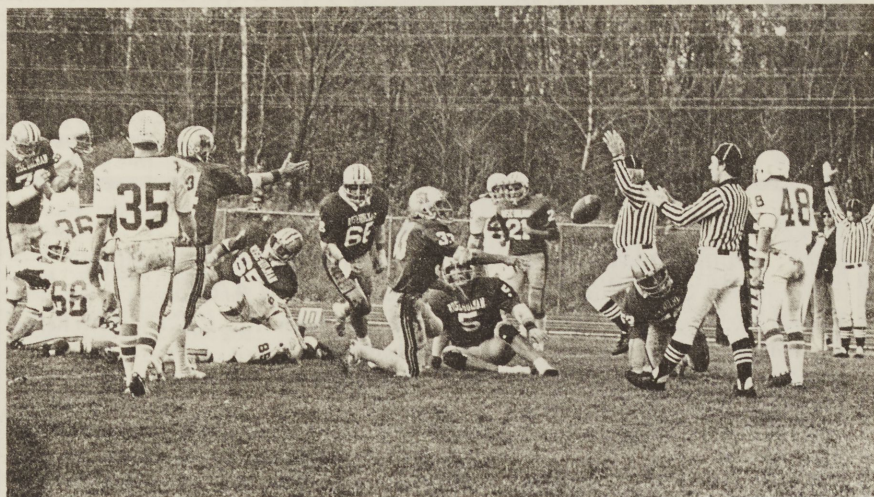
The high scorer for Northern Illinois finished third individually in the match with a 244.

The varsity rifle team stayed home Saturday to work out in

preparation for next week's competition at Walsh Invitational in Cincinnati Nov. 10 and at the University of Kentucky Invitational Nov. 11. These matches traditionally draw the nation's best rifle teams, with the field including squads from as far away as Alaska and Washington State.

The biggest threat, however, will come from Ft. Banning, Georgia, as world champion Lones Wigger leads the U.S. Army Marksmanship Training Unit Rifle Team into the competition.

The varsity team's record now stands at 27 straight wins stretching over the past two seasons.



Fullback Troy Matz bulled over for Rose's final touchdown in last weekend's 28-9 rout of Sewanee. The Engineers face Southwestern tomorrow for the conference crown. (Steve Shuman photo)

Soccer team falls at CAC

The Rose soccer team ended a dismal season on a low note last weekend in the CAC conference tournament in Memphis, Tenn. The team lost all four games it played in a round-robin format.

In their first game Friday morning they faced a rugged club in Principia. Yellow cards were handed out on both sides, and a near fight broke out as Rose went down to defeat by a score of 3-0.

Later that afternoon Rose took on the eventual conference champs, Southwestern at Memphis, and played a good game in losing 2-0 to an excellent team.

Rose played their third game Saturday morning against Sewanee, and got their first goal

of the weekend. Blair Hughes converted a lead pass from Ralph Smith for the score. However, the team collapsed on defense in the second half and succumbed by a score of 5-1.

In their last game they played their finest soccer of the tournament in the first half, and battled Centre to a scoreless tie while enjoying the better of the play. But another second half collapse lead to their fourth straight loss, this one by 2-0.

The final standings left SAM in first, followed by Sewanee, Principia, Centre, and Rose. The only positive note for Rose came in the fact that two players received all-CAC recognition. The honors were garnered by Ray Farmer.

Engineers blast Sewanee

by Paul Curtin

Rose played their biggest game of the year last Saturday, and set up a CAC title clash tomorrow with Southwestern by blasting previously unbeaten Sewanee 28-9.

The Tigers came into the game with a 10-game winning streak and ranked 17th in Division III. But the Engineer defensive unit never gave the Tigers room to breathe, while the offense racked up 315 total yards.

The Engineer defense set the tone for the game early.

Sewanee took the opening kickoff and marched down to the Rose 40. There the defense, twice throwing the Tiger quarterback for losses back to his own 45-yard line.

After an exchange of possessions the Rose offense began to move. From his own 40, Pfanstiel hit Lewis for 15 yards, and Tony Radecki followed with a 15-yard run to set up a score.

After a series of penalties against Sewanee, Pfanstiel threw for nine yards and a touchdown to Kaufman.

Freshman Jeff Jackson kicked the PAT for a 7-0 lead.

On their next possession Rose again moved well, but were finally forced to punt. Some excellent blocking and fine open field running by Dale Harper resulted in an 89-yard touchdown return that put Sewanee back in the ball game.

Neither team could score again until late in the half and it was then that Rose put the game on ice. Tony Radecki ran for 53 yards in a 57-yard drive that culminated in a two-yard touchdown pass from Pfanstiel to Lewis with 1:03 remaining.

On the Tigers' third play from scrimmage following the kickoff captain Marty Schramm picked off a Sewanee pass at midfield and went all the way for a tally with 35 seconds left on the clock. Jackson's PAT made it 21-7 at the intermission.

Both defenses toughened in the second half, and the Sewanee defense forced the first score. A bad punt snap led to Novacek being tackled in the end zone for two points, cutting the Rose lead to 21-9.

Late in the third period Pfanstiel put the game away. He completed three passes for first downs in the 82-yard drive, ended by a Troy Matz burst from the three for the final score of the day.

Tomorrow the Engineers travel to Memphis to play SAM. A Rose win would give them the CAC crown alone, while a loss would drop the team into a three-way tie for the title.

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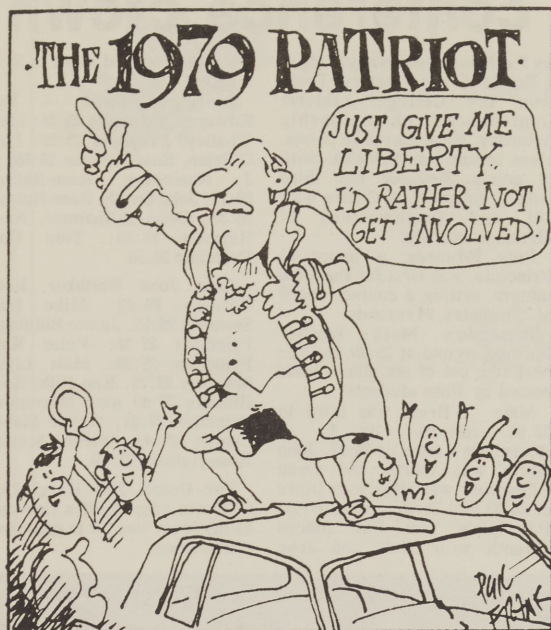
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The Terror of Finals

by Eric Blair

As is traditional, your dedicated THORN staffers have taken it upon themselves to find copies of this term's finals for early viewing. We are proud to report that after another mid-night raid upon the "master files," we have obtained a copy of this year's Chem. Honors final. It is shown below.

General Instructions

Good morning, Mr. Freshman. Your mission, should you decide to accept it, is to complete the attached exam in four hours. No one has yet accomplished this in less than 7 hours, 8 minutes.

Should you fail, the Department will disavow any knowledge of your existence. This instruction sheet will self-destruct in five seconds. Good luck, kids!

Chem. Honors Final

Problem 1: Given $PV=nRT$, $E=q-w$, and $c=3.0 \times 10^8$ m/sec, find the partial pressure exerted by one dram of xenon, measured at standard conditions, if it is located 3.8 furlongs above the surface of the planet Jupiter.

Problem 2: Find the pH of the stomach of the average Rose freshman. This can be ap-

proximated by dissolving one A/R/A hamburger in three gallons of beer. Assume the hamburger consists of 25% meat, 25% sand, and 50% soy protein. Utilize your favorite brand for the properties of the beer.

Problem 3: Assume that the man in the seat adjoining yours is still staring blankly at Problem 1. Calculate the percent void space in his head.

Problem 4: Given a body composition of 70% oxygen, 10% carbon, 8% hydrogen, 6% nitrogen, 3% iron, and 3% sugar-and-spice, calculate the latent heat of a St. Mary-of-the-Woods freshman on her first date with a Rose freshman. Assume no heat exchange between the objects.

Problem 5: Derive the First Law of Thermodynamics.

Problem 6: The reaction $A+6B+8C+3D=92Q+Z$ occurs in an 87 gallon tank located near the Wabash River. The half-life is 16 years, and the rate constant is 32 bushels per mole per kilofortnight. Find the order of reaction. Note: you must consider the participation of sewage odors emanating from the Wabash.

Our intrepid searchers also managed to uncover a few questions from this fall's Graphics final exam:

Graphics Test

Question 1: Sketch isometric, orthographic, perspective, and pornographic views of your Graphics instructor.

Letters

Awards absence blasted

Dear Editor,

You will undoubtedly notice that this is written on the back of an Honors Convo schedule. As I watch the proceedings, I am prompted to write by a glaring omission: each department, save two, has some form of achievement award. The EE's do have a spring award for seniors — a bit late — and I apologize to the CS Department if I am merely ignorant of their program.

Those at Rose interpret this lack of effort on the part of the

faculty correctly. I imagine, however, that those in industry who compare the credentials of a Rose student with other students must surely assume that the standard awards were available, but went to some more qualified person.

Thus, we not only fail to reinforce and encourage excellence, but we also deny the higher achievers the symbols of excellence the "real world" recognizes.

Name withheld by request.

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A WEEKLY CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Nov. 10	The Rose Laking Society will meet to honor the birthday of the occupant of Blumberg 206. Enjoy your swim, Bruce!
Sat.-Sun., Nov. 10-11	ISU Theatre, "The Three Feathers," and "The Dancing Princesses," New Theatre, 540 N. 7th St., Weeknights 8 P.M. 1 P.M. & 3:30 P.M. Sat. and Sunday
Saturday, Nov. 10	Football, Rose vs. Southwestern, Southwestern at Memphis
Saturday, Nov. 10	Rifle, Walsh Invitational, Cincinnati, Ohio
Sunday, Nov. 11	Rifle, University of Kentucky Invitational, University of Kentucky
Sunday, Nov. 11	RHA Film, "Paper Chase," RHIT, B-119, 7:30 P.M.
Monday, Nov. 12	Intramurals, Basketball & Volleyball Teams Due
Friday, Nov. 16	NO CLASSES!!!
Saturday, Nov. 17	Final Exams Begin, 8:00 A.M.
Wednesday, Nov. 21	Fall Term Ends
Thursday, Nov. 22	Thanksgiving
Monday, Nov. 26	Final Grades Due
Monday, Dec. 3	Classes resume
Tuesday, Dec. 4	Basketball vs. Blackburn, Fieldhouse, 7:30 P.M.
Tuesday, Dec. 4	Wrestling vs. Hanover, Hanover
Wednesday, Dec. 5	IU Singing Hoosiers, Fine Arts Series, Auditorium, 7:30 P.M.
Thursday, Dec. 6	Basketball vs. Greenville, Greenville
Saturday, Dec. 8	Basketball vs. Illinois Tech, Fieldhouse, 7:30 P.M.
Tuesday, Dec. 11	Wrestling vs. Evansville, Evansville
Wednesday, Dec. 12	Basketball vs. DePauw, Fieldhouse, 7:30 P.M.
Saturday, Dec. 15	Basketball vs. Kenyon, Fieldhouse, 7:30 P.M.
Tues.-Wed., Dec. 18-19	Basketball, Rose Invitational: Rose, Aurora, Marian, Wooster

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